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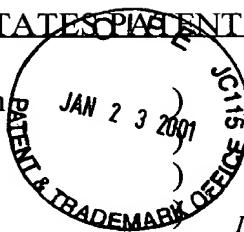
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Please approve the attached substitute specification, which is the original of the facsimile filed on October 19, 2000. No new matter has been added.

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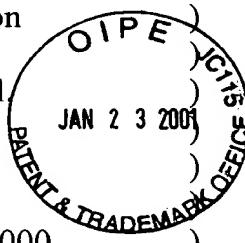
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Transmitted herewith are 16 sheets of formal drawings to be substituted for the facsimile drawings initially filed in the above-identified application for a patent.

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